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**In the Claims:**

Please cancel claims 28, 31, 34 and 45 without prejudice.

**Please amend claims 37, 40 and 43 as follows:**

37. (Amended) An assembly comprising a microelectronic device permanently adhered to a substrate by a cured aliquot of **[the] a die attach paste [according to claim 28] comprising:**

in the range of about 10 to 80 weight percent of a thermosetting resin composition, and  
in the range of about 20 to 90 weight percent of a conductive filler,

wherein said thermosetting resin composition comprises:

- a) a liquid maleimide,
- b) in the range of about 0.01 to about 10 equivalents of a vinyl compound per equivalent of maleimide,
- c) in the range of 0.2 to 3 weight percent of at least one free radical initiator, based on the total weight of the composition, and
- d) in the range of 0.1 to 10 weight percent of at least one coupling agent, based on the total weight of the composition, wherein said coupling agent has both a co-polymerizable function and a silicate ester function,